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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH BELGIAN PRESIDENCY OF THE EC-9, AUGUST 2

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1. AMBASSADOR LEONARD CALLED ON DEPUTY PERM REP GEORGE ELLIOTT, ACTING HEAD OF THE EC-9 PRESIDENCY IN NEW YORK. THE MEETING WAS ARRANGED BY USUN TO STRESS CONTINUED STRONG US INTEREST IN MAINTAINING CLOSE USUN COOPERATION WITH THE EC-9 IN NEW YORK.

2. CONCERNING SUCH KEY ISSUES IN THE 32ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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AS THE MIDDLE EAST, SOUTHERN AFRICA, CYPRUS, NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE, LEONARD AND ELLIOTT AGREED IT WAS TOO EARLY TO FOCUS CLEARLY NOW, AS ALL ARE CURRENTLY UNDER NEGOTIATION OUTSIDE OF THE NEW YORK FRAMEWORK. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF THESE KEY NEGOTIATIONS WOULD SET THE TONE FOR THE 32ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND GUIDE WESTERN RESPONSES AND INITIATIVES.

3. LEONARD ASKED ELLIOTT WHAT HE HAD HEARD CONCERNING A SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON NAMIBIA IN LATE AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER. ELLIOTT CONFIRMED THAT THERE DID NOT SEEM TO BE ANY GREAT ENTHUSIASM AMONG THE AFRICANS, BUT SUCH A SESSION WOULD BE INFLUENCED BY THE UPCOMING TALKS WITH SWAPO IN NEW YORK. ELLIOTT AGREED THAT A SPECIAL SESSION WAS NOT DESIRABLE.

4. TOUCHING ON DISARMAMENT ISSUES, LEONARD SAID US WOULD WELCOME A BETTER ATMOSPHERE WITH THE SOVIETS, POINTING OUT THIRD WORLD DESIRES FOR PROGRESS AND MUCH WELCOMED FRENCH MOVEMENT ON CCD.

5. ELLIOTT ASKED LEONARD FOR US APPRAISAL OUTLOOK FOR HUMAN RIGHTS INITIATIVES DURING THE 32ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY. LEONARD STATES COORDINATION WITH OTHER INTERESTED COUNTRIES SUCH AS SWEDEN, COSTA RICA, AND AUSTRALIA WAS PROGRESSING AND THAT THERE WAS A GROWING INTEREST AMONG SOME THIRD WOULD COUNTRIES IN HUMAN RIGHTS.

6. ELLIOTT CONFIRMED THAT AMBASSADOR DEVER WOULD ARRIVE IN NEW YORK IN EARLY SEPTEMBER TO BE THE COORDINATOR OF THE EC-9 PRESIDENCY WORKING UNDER AMBASSADOR ERNEMANN. LEONARD REAFFIRMED OUR KEEN INTEREST IN WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE BELGIAN PRESIDENCY DURING THE 32ND GENERAL
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ASSEMBLY. ELLIOTT WELCOMED LEONARD'S CALL AND PLEDGED BELGIAN COOPERATION AND A FULL DIALOGUE ON ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST AND CONCERN.
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